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SUBJ: HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES SCIENCE PANEL

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1. EMBASSY RECOMMENDS FOLLOWING GERMAN SCIENTIST FOR CONSIDERATION BY HOUSE COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE AND ASTRONAUTICS AS POSSIBLE PARTICIPANTS IN SCIENCE PANEL MEETING:

A. LIFE SCIENTIST: PROFESSOR ADOLF BUTENANDT, BORN 1903. NOBEL LAUREATE 1939. BIOCHEMISTRY. A DISTINGUISHED SCIENTIST WHO, AS PRESIDENT OF THE MAX PLANCK SOCIETY, ADMINISTERS A NATION WIDE PROGRAM WITH 53 INDIVIDUAL RESEARCH INSTITUTES WITH A TOTAL ANNUAL BUDGET OF ABOUT \$75 MILLION. THE MAX PLANCK SOCIETY IS AN IMPORTANT COMPONENT OF THE INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC COMMUNITY.

B. PHYSICAL SCIENTIST: DR. REIMAR LUEST, BORN 1923. DIRECTOR OF THE INSTITUTE FOR EXTRATERRESTRIAL PHYSICS OF THE MAX PLANCK SOCIETY. LUEST HAS SIGNIFICANT EXPERIENCE IN INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION IN SPACE SCIENCES. ALTHOUGH THIS IS ONLY ONE AREA OF INTERNATIONAL SCIENCE POLICY, HIS POSITION AS CHAIRMAN OF THE GERMAN NATIONAL SCIENCE ADVISORY COUNCIL PROVIDES BASIS FOR BROADER SCIENCE POLICY QUESTIONS.

2. PLEASE INFORM EMBASSY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE IF COMMITTEE WISHES US TO DETERMINE WHETHER EITHER OF ABOVE INDIVIDUALS COULD ACCEPT STATINTL AN INVITATION.

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